

SENATE BILL 2774
By Springer

AN ACT to designate a certain segment of State Route 22 in Henderson County as the "Harold Griggs Highway".

WHEREAS, from time to time, this General Assembly has seen fit to name certain highways to honor those exemplary citizens who have contributed significantly to the growth and overall prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Harold Griggs of Lexington is most assuredly one such meritorious public servant, a voice of probity, honesty and integrity in his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Griggs has served his fellow citizens with alacrity and dedication in numerous capacities and he is an instrumental force in the business, civic and social life of Lexington In Henderson County; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman who realizes full well that citizenship entails many responsibilities as well as privileges, Mr. Griggs has served with distinction as a board member of several worthy organizations, including Beach River Watershed Development Authority, Central State Bank, Methodist Hospital of Lexington, Memphis Home Health Services, Industrial Improvement Association of Henderson County, Tennessee 4-H Foundation and the Lexington-Henderson County Chamber of Commerce, which he has previously served meritoriously as president; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional public servant is also a very active member of the Lexington Rotary Club, having served with proficiency and devotion as a member of the Board of Directors and as a Paul Harris Fellow; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Mr. Griggs received the prestigious honor of being selected Rotarian of the Year by his compatriots in recognition of his rare business ability, outstanding ambition and winning personality; and

WHEREAS, beginning as a part-time stock clerk for U-Tote-Em Grocery Store in 1954, Mr. Griggs became owner of the new Big Star Supermarket in 1974, by means of hard work, perseverance and an unstoppable belief in his dream; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Griggs evidences his robust faith in the Lord through his membership in the Broad Street Church of Christ where he serves ably as trustee; and

WHEREAS, through his meritorious service to Lexington and Henderson County, Harold Griggs evidences all that is noble and admirable in a business professional who because of his innate compassion and humanity makes time to help build a brighter future for his fellow citizens and his children; and

WHEREAS, by naming a certain segment of State Route 22 in his honor, this General Assembly offers thanks, on behalf of the grateful people of Tennessee, to Mr. Griggs for a job well done; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, that segment of State Route 22 in Henderson County from its intersection with Interstate 40 southward to the corporate limits of the City of Lexington is hereby designated as the "Harold Griggs Highway" in honor of this good man's life of purpose and commitment to others.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such segment of State Route 22 in Henderson County as the "Harold Griggs Highway".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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